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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants herein responds to the Office Action mailed October 22, 2002 (Paper No. 12). Please debit any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to firm deposit account no. 08-1641. Applicants request reconsideration and allowance in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims:

Amend the claims as follows:

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1. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of:

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- (a) a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQVD NO:2, wherein the polypeptide has EDG8 biological activity;
- (b) a polynucleotide consisting of SEQ ID NO:1; and